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January 2, 1981

Mr. Mark R. Welch  
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1776 Montano Road, N.W.  
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Albuquerque, New Mexico 87107

RE: Annual Operations and  
Progress Report  
Escalante Silver Mine - ACT/021/004  
Small Fry Mine - ACT/037/022 ✓

Dear Mr. Welch:

As you are aware, your company has been approved to operate the above named mine(s) under the 1975 Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act. Section 40-8-15 of the Act and Rule M-8 require that each operator file with the Division an Annual Operations and Progress Report for each mining operation having an approved mining and reclamation plan. Also, an updated map and plan prepared in accordance with Rule M-3 is required to keep the Division informed of the current status of the operation.

Enclosed you will find a revised MR Form 3 to be completed and returned to the Division, along with an updated map and plan, by January 31, 1981.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please do not hesitate to call. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "James W. Smith, Jr.", is written over the word "Sincerely,".

JAMES W. SMITH, JR.  
COORDINATOR OF MINED LAND DEVELOPMENT

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Enc: Revised MR Form 3  
(Annual Operations & Progress Report)